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SUBJECT: Possible Concealment of Offensive Weapons  
in CubaTO: Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D.C.

1. In light of persistent reporting of the concealment of missiles, nuclear weapons and/or related military equipment in Cuba, the Joint Staff has requested an evaluation of available and obtainable information on the subject as soon as possible.
2. It is recognized that for the most part this information, carried in CIA Reports and other message traffic, originates from sources of unevaluated or questionable reliability. Yet the consistent frequency of these reports is disturbing, and the speculative interest generated by them in planning and policy circles cannot be disregarded.
3. In order to insure that full Intelligence Community effort may be brought to bear on this matter, it is requested that the forthcoming NIE 85-63 evaluate all available information in the discussion of alternative Soviet courses of action and that a definitive annex be included to cover technical details and all aspects of the implications involved in such a contingency.

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